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RE:

STB Finance Docket No. 34075 – Environmental Comments Six County Association of Governments - Construction and Operation Exemption - Rail Line between Levan and Salina, Utah

Dear Mr. Black:

The Richfield Area Chamber of Commerce Board desires to express its support for the proposed Central Utah Rail Project from Levan to Salina.

As an organization representing businesses, we believe that the rail project should be built to help existing industry and attract new businesses. The rail line would help stabilize transportation costs for the coal mine and open opportunities for other industry to locate in our area.

This project would allow the County to diversify its economic base and better prepare the local economy for the changes that are a part of our market forces.

The proposed alignment is the best alternative because it creates the least amount of impact on agriculture and people.

Please move the proposal forward as quickly as possible.

Sincerely

Richard Barnett

President